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IS TILLINGHAST MAKING GOOD?

Mysterious Aircraft Often Seen at Night Said to Be His.

KEPT AHEAD OF STREET CAR

In Marlboro Airship's Black Shape Was Plainly Seen in the Moonlight, Searchlight Throwing Its Rays in All Directions—Sailed Over Worcester's City Hall and Proceeded Above the Main Thoroughfare—Cut Little Circles Above Center of City.

Boston, Dec. 24.—There is no longer any question about a mysterious airship making nocturnal trips around Massachusetts. Wednesday night thousands of people in Worcester, Marlborough, Northboro and other towns in Worcester county saw the aerial craft speeding through the heavens, with a powerful searchlight throwing a bright light ahead and with two red tail lamps glowing at the stern.

Last night the craft was seen again, sailing over Marlboro and adjacent towns, its black shape plainly visible against the moonlight sky and with the searchlight throwing its rays first one way and then another.

In Worcester it is pretty nearly agreed that the airship is the one told about by Wallace E. Tillinghast several weeks ago and which has since been reported in several places, always on nights when the Worcester man was absent from his home.

Among those who saw the ship was Guy Lane, a motorman, who said that it kept ahead of his car, which was going towards Hudson, and seemed to be going at a rate of speed equal to the car—30 miles an hour. Lane said the searchlight seemed about the same size as that used by the railway and the operator of the airship appeared to have perfect control. Conductor Edward Stone corroborated Lane's story.

The Worcester demonstration began about 6:30 p. m.. When policemen and Christmas shoppers saw a brilliant ray cutting the murk. It was observed in the direction of Grafton, southeast of Worcester, and the watchers saw the light growing brighter, indicating the approach of an object high in the air.

Soon after the first man pointed it out the object sailed over City Hall and proceeded above the main thoroughfare. Groups of men and women watched it as it could be traced by the light towards Glendale, where farmers and railroad men had their attention attracted to it. A short time afterwards the operator began to cut little circles around the center of the city and then he headed west. He was missed for about half an hour and in that time was evidently making a flight to Marlboro and return, for authenfic reports from that city had identified the aeroplane.

Between 7 and 7:30 Worcester had another sight of the airship when it appeared in the west. This time the aviator aggravated the curious still more by bringing his craft to a halt in the air above the State Mutual building.

Though the darkness made it difficut to describe the character of the machine, there is a general agreement by the observers that it was a type of aeroplane. A policeman says it was a monstrous affair, for the dark blotch indicated a great expanse of wings, but he could not tell how many planes the craft had.

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